

*Senior Citizens Receive Helping Hand from Federal Funds*

Belchertown - US Department of Agriculture Rural Development State Director William H. Brackley

The town received \$569,400 from Rural Development to fund a municipal sewer main extension project.

"The mission of USDA Rural Development is to enhance the quality of life for all rural Americans."

The park hosts 386 residents with more than 100 septic systems currently in use. Several of them are in need of replacement.

"As we celebrate Earth Day, all Americans should recognize that proper disposal of wastewater is essential to our health and the environment."

The funds are offered under the aegis of the Water and Waste Program. This program coordinates the efforts of the state and local governments to improve water and wastewater infrastructure.

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